

**PROFESSIONAL HYDROLOGISTS SECTION  
EXAMINING BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS,  
HYDROLOGISTS AND SOIL SCIENTISTS  
MINUTES  
MADISON, WISCONSIN  
FEBRUARY 10, 2000**

**PRESENT:** Roger Hall, Herbert Garn, Robert Karnauskas

**EXCUSED:** Stephen Donohue

**STAFF PRESENT:** Alfred Hall, Becky Fry; William Black, Legal Counsel; Darwin Tichenor for portions of the meeting

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:54 a.m. by Robert Karnauskas, Vice Chair. A quorum of three members was present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Herbert Garn moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to adopt the agenda, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1/25/00)**

**MOTION:** Roger Hall moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to approve the minutes, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

**Secretary Cummings' Report**

Secretary Cummings addressed the Section before the meeting was called to order, regarding 1999 Senate Bill 347. Secretary Cummings indicated that this bill would exempt wetland scientists from licensure but would require them to register.

The Section discussed activities relating to the work of wetland scientists and expressed concern with the fact that the bill includes no requirements for licensure to perform those activities.

The Section recommended that the GHSS Rules Committee review the 99 SB 347.

**MOTION:** Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to recommend the GHSS Rules Committee evaluate 1999 Senate Bill 347 and make recommendations to the GHSS Joint Board to identify whether any action is appropriate. Motion withdrawn.

Alfred Hall clarified that the wetland scientists would be registered with the Department of Regulation and Licensing and would come under the authority of the Secretary of the Department for scope of practice, with the advice of an Advisory Committee composed of individuals from within that profession. Mr. Hall explained that if someone registered as a wetland scientist were to engage in activities beyond the scope of practice, his/her registration could be revoked.

- **Role of a Person on the Governing Body of a Regulatory Entity**

Alfred Hall explained that the information included in the packet summarized the role of a Board or Section member. Noted.

**Bureau Director's Report**

- **Section Roster**

The Section received an updated roster. Robert Karnauskas requested that his home telephone number be deleted from the roster and informed the Section of a change in his Email address.

- **Application Processing**

**Approving Successful Examination Candidates for Licensure**

Noted.

- **Code Book**

Noted.

- **Regulatory Digest**

A draft of the Regulatory Digest was included in the agenda packet. Noted.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

**Scope Statement Relating to Examination Requirements**

Nothing to discuss.

**SECTION MEMBER ACTIVITY**

**Election of Officers**

**MOTION:** Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to nominate and re-elect Stephen Donohue as Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Herbert Garn moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to nominate and re-elect Robert Karnauskas as Vice Chair. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to nominate and re-elect Herbert Garn as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

### **EXAMINATION ISSUES**

Darwin Tichenor reported on the examination development and indicated a need for additional questions. He informed the Section that he has begun developing some item-writing and review sessions and he is not encouraged by the first results. He will be inviting all licensed Hydrologists to attend a question-writing workshop. Mr. Tichenor requested the support of the Section members in contacting other professionals for their input in developing exam questions.

Robert Karnauskas suggested that E-mail address requests be added to the current application for ease in contacting licensed professionals.

Robert Karnauskas suggested that Darwin Tichenor contact the Federation of Environmental Technologists to possibly be placed on the agenda for the March 8-9, 2000 meeting, to address the need for exam question writers.

### **DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT**

- **Orientation to Screening Panel**

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

### **PRACTICE ISSUES**

- **Licensure Seals**

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Nothing to report.

### **CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Herbert Garn moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to convene to closed session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or discipline (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.), to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.), and, to confer with Legal Counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Specifically, to hold Class 1 hearings on denied applications for Thomas Riewe, Peter A. Sandborg, Stephen Thon, James Reinartz, and John C. Zajakowski.

Motion carried by roll call vote: Roger Hall-yes; Herbert Garn-yes; Robert Karnauskas-yes.

Open Session recessed and the Closed Session convened at 10:24 a.m.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The Board received a copy of the Case Status Report.

Thomas Riewe and Stephen Thon appeared for Class 1 hearings.

Peter A. Sandborg and John C. Zajakowski chose not to appear for Class 1 hearings.

James Reinartz rescheduled his Class 1 hearing for March 21, 2000.

### **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

By consensus, Open Session reconvened at 1:11 p.m.

### **VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION**

#### **CLASS 1 HEARINGS ON DENIED APPLICATIONS AND APPLICATION REVIEW**

**MOTION:** Roger Hall moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to reaffirm the denial of the application for licensure as a Professional Hydrologist of Peter A. Sandborg, Stephen Thon, and John C. Zajakowski. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Herbert Garn moved, seconded by Roger Hall, to approve the application for licensure as a Professional Hydrologist of Thomas Riewe. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION:** Roger Hall moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to deny the application for licensure as a Professional Hydrologist of Andrew L. Klemp. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### **SUCH OTHER ITEMS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Roger Hall moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to adjourn the meeting at 1:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday March 21, 2000